

In 1913, when he was given his first chance, he started clouting the ball viciously, slapping for extra-base hits with gay abandon. It seemed for a time that a real star had been added to the Cub troop.

Then the opposition pitchers detected his weakness. Cy was helpless before a curve ball low over the side corner of the plate. He might as well have left his bat on the bench for all the damage he did when such a ball was served to him. He was left to work out his own salvation, failed, and slipped back to the obscurity of the utility men.

Now he gets his chance. Putting him on the first team will start him with confidence, and Bresnahan will be on hand to aid the long fellow in his schooling. Cy is being put to work slugging at the offerings of a recruit pitcher, experimenting with different positions at the plate, in an effort to overcome his weakness.

Cy is not alone in his weakness. Even so famous a slugger as Ty Cobb once found a low inside curve an unfathomable mystery. Doc White, former White Sox star, could stand Cy on his head with a slow, low loater. But Cobb is a determined guess, which is one of the reasons he is great.

He experimented in his position in the batting box, stood in front of the plate, and then changed his style, stepping back a pace. In time he solved the mystery, and White was no longer a puzzle.

The same thing is possible in Williams' case, and Cy is at least entitled to all the help that can be given him.

Rain kept the athletes from a game yesterday, but they are off in another tussle this afternoon. Bresnahan puts them through a soccer football drill when the field is poor.

Manager Rowland of the White Sox believes Bromwich, the third base candidate, has big league ability. The youngster was shoved in as a pinch hitter against Los Angeles

yesterday and smoked a single, scoring a run. Baker was doing the third basing, and Bromwich batter for Ellis Johnson.

Two triples by Felch and a timely single by Brief helped the Sox to a 3 to 2 victory.

Reb Russell started the pitching and couldn't get away with it, both runs being scored during his three innings in the box. Then Johnson and Scott put the lid on, Jim allowing only one hit in five rounds.

Ed Walsh tried to come back with the seconds against San Francisco and found the niche from which he had slipped much farther away than Tipperary. He yielded six runs in three innings, and Cicotte was just as soft. Frisco won, 15 to 2. Ping Bodie knocked a homer with two on, and Heilman, former Tiger, cracked another four-bagger. Demmitt got three hits for the Sox and Fournier and Daly two each. Walsh prodded a homer.

Robert Lord won his second game in the 18-2 amateur billiard tournament at New York, downing Huston of Detroit, 400 to 294. Poggenburg kept a clean slate by defeating Milburn, 400 to 299.

President Ban Johnson of the American league is back from California. He broke a precedent by declining to say "the Federal league won't open the season."

Northwestern defeated Chicago, 39 to 19, in a dual tank meet. The Maroons captured one first. Purple also won water basketball game, 4 to 1. Pavlicek, Chicago, set a new record in the 150-yard backstroke, going the distance in 1:59 2-5. Johnson covered the 100-yard in :59 2-5, a new record.

University of Chicago track athletes defeated Ohio, 63 to 23. Ferguson won the only Ohio first in the mile. Capt. Ward of Chicago was the individual star.

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Russia's population is increasing at the rate of 2,500,000 a year,